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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

I chose Sonic, a local competitive provider after being very dissatisfied with the large internet providers whose service and tech support is so woefully inadequate. Sonic is always available to me and can give me the tech support and customer service I need. Their technicians are unrivaled in their ability to talk me through the fixes I need while I am on the phone.

Please don't let these price hikes and competition-killing companies ruin my right to a local competitive provider for my individual residence internet service at a price I can afford and with service and support that are meaningful.

I also get my phone service through Sonic at an affordable price for service that none of the US Telecom companies can match. Please act in a way that benefits our citizenry instead of rolling over for the big companies.

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